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(b) The Government did not reserve any site. The particulars of space occupied by the departments of Government and the rent paid are as shown below :—

	Space occupied paying rent.	Rent paid or that will be paid.
	SQ.FT.	RS.
Industries	5,200	5,200
Agriculture	5,400	5,400
Fisheries	960	960
Cinchona	120	120
Central Survey Office ...	120	120
Director of Town Planning.	240	240
Public Health	1,200	1,200

Besides, the Department of Industries were permitted to occupy an open space of 4,580 square feet and the Department of Agriculture an open space of 18,000 square feet.

(c) The same rent as is charged for Government departments, viz., Re. 1 per square foot in the general stall and Rs. 5 per square yard for special stall in the grounds.

(d) The Government understand that no rent is ordinarily paid for space taken up at this exhibition.

Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI :—" May I know, with reference to (b), why the Government did not think it worth while to reserve any site for their exhibits ? "

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" I believe it was not known at the time whether the exhibition would be run by the Government."

Veterinary

Reduction of the number of touring veterinary assistants for the Kurnool subdivision.

* 1600 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether the number of touring veterinary assistants for the Kurnool subdivision has now been reduced from two to one ;

(b) if so, why ;

(c) whether the question of establishing a veterinary hospital has been considered ; and

(d) if so, what conclusions have been reached ?

A.—(a) & (b) It is not understood what the hon. Member means by " Kurnool subdivision ". If the hon. Member refers to the Kurnool Revenue division, there were two Veterinary Assistant Surgeons at Kurnool—one in charge of the dispensary and the other to attend to outbreaks of contagious diseases. Since 1926, the officer in charge of the dispensary has in addition to his other duties been required to attend to outbreaks of contagious diseases in the Kurnool taluk while the other officer has been posted to Nandikotkur to attend to outbreaks in that taluk as it has no dispensary.

(c) & (d) No answer can be given as the hon. Member has not specified the place.

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Education

Opening of Group III (Natural Science) of the B.A. Pass Course in the Ceded Districts College, Anantapur.

*1601 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether provision is being made in the coming budget for the opening of Group III (Natural Science) of the B.A. Pass Course in the Ceded Districts College, Anantapur?

A.—No.

Action taken on the report of Mr. Statham on elementary and secondary education.

*1602 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state what action the Government have taken or propose to take on the report of Mr Statham on the question of—

(a) Elementary education; and
(b) Secondary education?

A.—(a) *Elementary education.*—The revision of the Madras Elementary Education Act, 1920, with reference to the recommendations of Mr. Statham, is under the consideration of Government.

(b) *Secondary education.*—The hon. Member's attention is invited to the answer to clauses (c) and (d) of question No. 618 at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 18th October 1927. The recommendations in the report regarding grants-in-aid and subsidies are still under consideration.

Training of rural school teachers in scientific agriculture.

*1603 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Committee mentioned in the answer to question No. 667 answered on 19th October 1927 as having formed to work out the details of training of rural school teachers in scientific agriculture has submitted its report;

(b) if so whether it will be placed on the table of the House; and

(c) what action he proposes to take thereon?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The Committee has not yet submitted its report.

Concessions to girls in secondary schools.

*1604 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) what the approximate cost to Government would be of exempting poor girls reading up to the III form from paying school fees in accordance with the resolution on the subject passed in the Council on the 5th of November last; and

(b) whether the Government propose to compensate the aided schools for the loss of fee income resulting from such exemption being given by them?